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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A process for preventing the skinning of a coating composition comprising:

adding an An anti-skinning agent, comprising a) an organic compound of formula (I)

where

 $\rm R^{1}$ and $\rm R^{2}$ mutually independently represent hydrogen, a linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated $\rm C_{1}$ - $\rm C_{20}$ aliphatic radical, which can optionally be mono- or polysubstituted, or a $\rm C_{5}$ - $\rm C_{12}$ aryl radical, a $\rm C_{7}$ - $\rm C_{14}$ araliphatic radical or a $\rm C_{5}$ - $\rm C_{7}$ cycloaliphatic radical,

and either

b) an organic compound of formula (II)

$$\begin{array}{c}
O \\
R^3
\end{array}
C - CH_2 - C \stackrel{O}{\underset{R^4}{}} \qquad (II),$$

where

 R^3 represents hydrogen, a hydroxyl radical, a saturated or unsaturated C_1 - C_{19} aliphatic radical, a C_1 - C_7 alkoxy radical, or an amine radical -NR⁷R⁸,

 R^4 represents hydrogen, hydroxyl radical, a saturated or unsaturated C_1 - C_{19} aliphatic radical, a C_1 - C_7 alkoxy radical, or an amine radical -NR 9 R 10 ,

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 R^7 and R^8 mutually independently represent hydrogen or a C_1 - C_6 aliphatic radical, R^9 and R^{10} mutually independently hydrogen or a C_1 - C_6 aliphatic radical, or

c) an organic compound of formula (III)

$$R^{\underline{\theta}} = C \nearrow Q$$
 (III),

where

R⁵ represents hydrogen, a hydroxyl radical or a C₁-C₇ alkoxy radical and

R⁶ represents hydrogen or an amine radical -NR¹¹R¹²,

 R^{11} and R^{12} mutually independently represent hydrogen, $C_{1^{\circ}}C_{6}$ aliphatic radical, or $C_{5^{\circ}}C_{7}$ cycloaliphatic radical, or amine radical -NR $^{1}R^{2}$ with the proviso that R^{6} and R^{6} are not simultaneously hydrogen, to the coating composition.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The <u>process according to Claim 1, wherein the</u> antiskinning agent <u>of claim 1</u> further <u>comprises comprising</u> water and/or an organic solvent.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The process according to Claim 1, anti-skinning agent of claim 1 wherein

 R^3 represents a substituted C_1 - C_{19} aliphatic radical, a substituted C_1 - C_7 alkoxy radical, or a substituted amine radical -NR 7 R 8 , and

 R^4 represents, a substituted C_1 - C_{18} aliphatic radical, a substituted C_1 - C_7 alkoxy radical, or a substituted amine radical -NR 9 R 10 ,

 R^{11} and R^{12} mutually independently represent a substituted C_1 - C_6 aliphatic radical, or a substituted C_5 - C_7 cycloaliphatic radical, or a substituted amine radical -NR 1 R 2

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- 4. (Currently Amended) The process according to Claim 1, anti-skinning agent of elaim 1-wherein the compounds of formula (I) to (III) are in the form of aqueous dispersions or emulsions.
- 5. (Currently Amended) A process for preventing the skinning of a coating composition comprising:

adding a A composition of matter comprising the anti-skinning agent of claim 1 to the coating composition.

- 6. (Currently Amended) The process according to Claim 5, composition of matter ef-elaim-5 wherein the amount of anti-skinning agent is between 0.001 and 2.0 wt.% based on the composition.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The process according to Claim 5, composition of matter of claim-5 wherein the amount of anti-skinning agent is between 0.01 to 0.5 wt.%, based on the composition.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The process according to Claim 5, composition of matter of claim-5-wherein the composition of matter further comprising comprises a pigment.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The process according to Claim 5, composition of matter of claim 5 wherein the coating composition is a colorless or pigmented paint, a coating, a printing ink based on oxidatively drying binders, an oxidatively drying paint system, or a spraying agent in a printing ink.

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